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Mr. Gerald F. Till Deputy County Attorney, Coconino County Coconino County Courthouse Flagstaff, Arizona 86001

Dear Mr. Till:

We are in receipt of your letter inquiry asking what action, if any, the Clerk of Superior Court should take if prospective jurors do not have telephones or current addresses. You advise that notices are sent to the last known address and are frequently returned as "unclaimed".

We can appreciate the dilemma the Clerk of Superior Court may face under the above circumstances; however, we fail to see how that practical problem translates into a legal issue that warrants our opinion. Your reference to A.R.S. § 21-202 seems somewhat immaterial. Guidelines entitling persons to be excused from jury service should not be confused with procedures by which one is informed of his jury obligation. The procedures governing the summoning of jurors are fully set forth in A.R.S. § 21-331. If the Clerk is unable to provide the notice set forth therein, we suggest that another name on the jury list be consulted.

Sincerely,

BRUCE E. BABBITT Attorney General

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